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Andover is protecting its drinking water

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The Andover City Council believes that its residents deserve the best that the City has to offer. The future of Andover's water supply is in the ground (groundwater) and the City is committed to providing sustainable and safe drinking water to residents now and in the future.


On July 15, 2014, Andover Public Works joined the Anoka County Municipal Wellhead Protection Group to combine their protection efforts with other cities. The City is improving its drinking water protection by implementing wellhead protection that keeps the City's groundwater and wells from being polluted. Drinking water protection is best achieved by municipal water suppliers acting as a team with the cooperation of state and county agencies. The Anoka County and Minnesota health departments agree and joined the Municipal Wellhead Protection Group to keep drinking water safe.

Residents and property owners have their part in protecting the source of the City's drinking water. Factories and landfills are regulated to keep them from polluting our natural resources. However, homes and businesses may also be a source of groundwater pollution. No one wants to be the source of the problem. Here are ways Andover residents can be a part of the solution:

- Find out if you are in a [Drinking Water Protection Area](#) (interactive map)
- Dispose of household hazardous waste at the [Anoka Co drop-off facility](#) ([brochure](#))
- [Seal unused wells](#) using a licensed professional ([Video](#), YouTube 4:36)
- [Maintain your septic system in good working order](#)
- Learn how your family can [use water wisely](#)

Andover residents and businesses are encouraged to do their part in the protection of the City's drinking water supply. For more information contact Andover Public Works at 763-767-5180. The Andover [Consumer Confidence Report](#) summarizes the tests performed in 2013 showing that the drinking water meets federal Safe Drinking Water Standards.

Attention Andover private well owners. The City wants your drinking water to be safe too. You are encouraged to perform an annual [water test](#) (kits are available at City Hall) and maintain your home well in good condition (see the [Well Owner's Handbook](#)).

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